GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4817
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2000
CBI HQ SITTING ON TINDER BOX
AJAY CHAKRABORTY

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Hindustan Times dated November 8, 2000, captioned `CBI HQ sitting on tinder box `;

(b) if so, the facts reported therein; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to remove the stocked explosives from the premises?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS` WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : It was reported that about 30 kg of RDX besides 15 detonators and 6 timers, which were seized by the CBI on 14.10.2000, had been kept in the Malkhana in the CBI Head Quarter at New Delhi, and that CBI has neither expertise nor the facilities to handle the RDX.

(c) : The RDX along with other materials seized by the CBI, were kept in the Malkhana as case property in a totally safe condition. However, with the permission of the Court, the said RDX has since been deposited at the Headquarters of National Security Guard (NSG), Manesar on 5.12.2000 for safe custody.